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UPDATED: Ex-Portales cop gets 25 years

By ABQnews Staff

Former Portales school resource officer Victor Castillo, 46, was sentenced Monday to 25 years in prison after pleading guilty to maintaining a sexual relationship with a 16-year-old Portales High School student, the Portales News-Tribune reported.

Castillo pleaded guilty in March to 17 of 34 charges, including sexual exploitation of a minor, criminal sexual contact of a minor, criminal sexual penetration of a minor and tampering with evidence, the News-Tribune said.

District Attorney Matt Chandler told state District Judge Donna Mowrer that State Police launched an investigation of Castillo after learning of a party at Castillo's home northwest of Clovis, which involved sexual activity of minors, the paper reported.

Castillo's cell phone was confiscated and sent to a forensic lab in Albuquerque where 10,000 deleted photos and three videos were recovered from the phone, including more than a dozen sexually explicit pictures, Chandler told the judge.

Chandler said the victim admitted to police that she had sent Castillo sexually explicit photos and videos, according to the News-Tribune.

9:42am 3/28/13 — Ex-cop guilty of sex charges

By ABQnews Staff

A former Portales police officer could face up to 27 years in prison after pleading guilty to more than a dozen felony sex counts, the Portales News-Tribune reported.

Victor Castillo, who was a 45-year-old school resource officer at the time of his arrest last August, pleaded guilty to 14 of the original 35 felony counts as part of a plea agreement on March 21, the News-Tribune said.

He is scheduled for sentencing on April 22, the paper reported.

Castillo was accused of having a sexual relationship with a 16-year-old female student as well as having thousands of photos of young girls on his cell phone, the News-Tribune said.

According to court documents, the criminal actions happened from on or about May 1, 2012 to July 9, 2012.

6:11am 8/7/12 — Ex-Portales Cop Accused of Sex with Teen

By ABQnews Staff

A former Portales police officer is facing 31 felony charges and is accused of maintaining a sexual relationship with

a 16-year-old girl he met while serving as a school resource officer, the Portales News-Tribune reported.

Victor Castillo, 45, of Clovis, was booked Friday and released on a \$100,000 cash or surety bond ordered by state District Judge Donna Mowrer, the News-Tribune said.

State Police and District Attorney Matt Chandler's investigators alleged in court documents that Castillo engaged in sex with the girl during a party at his home and in his squad car and also sent her inappropriate photos on her cell phone, the paper reported.

Prosecutors also allege that at least 10,000 photos of young girls were found on Castillo's cell phone, according to the News-Tribune.

Castillo denied most of the allegations against him during an interview with police, court records show.

Castillo was fired from the Portales Police Department on July 13 for not meeting the terms of his one-year probation, Lt. Mark Cage told the News-Tribune.

Cage told the paper that Castillo was placed on administrative leave on July 11 after the mother of a 16-year-old girl reported that she believed Castillo was having "inappropriate interaction" with her daughter.

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